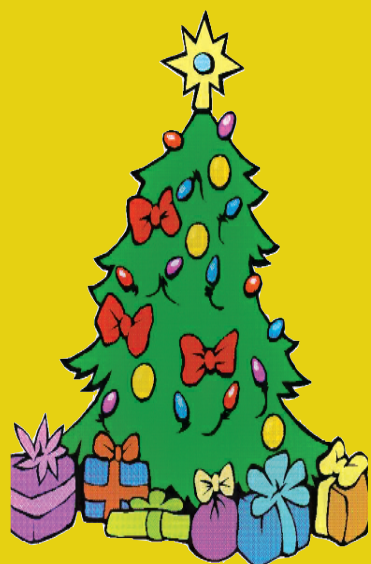


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Steve Post from NAVFAC Midwest, high-voltage utility shop, uses a bucket truck to string lights on a tree behind Bldg. 1 in preparation for the Christmas holidays. A tree-lighting ceremony was held yesterday with musical entertainment provided by Navy Band Great Lakes and the TSC choir.



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# Morales to assume command at TSC

By SUSAN M. KOERNER  
TSC Public Affairs

Capt. Glenn M. Brunner will turnover the helm of Training Support Center (TSC) to Capt. Will Morales in a change of command ceremony Thursday, Dec. 7. The ceremony will be held at 2 p.m. at the Naval Operational Support Center, Bldg. 190.

Rear Adm. Gary R. Jones, former commanding officer of Naval Service Training Command, will address the audience and present an end of tour award to Brunner.

"This has been a great, great command," said Brunner. "There is good synergy, a lot of mutual support. I've had a wonderful group of individuals on base at various commands to work with."

Brunner, who will be retiring to northern Wisconsin, says that while he is looking forward to retirement, he is not anxious to leave the service. "I will miss the Navy very much; my shipmates have been my family away from home. It will be tough not belonging to the professional military team."

During Brunner's tenure at TSC the Apprentice Military Environment (AME) program was established in February 2005. Students attend AME as part of their "A" school training. The program covers naval history and heritage, team sports and duty section training. Other traditional military training includes history lectures and monthly pass-in-review on Ross Field. The program has produced a higher



Brunner



Morales

level of camaraderie and teamwork according to Brunner. "It's been a wonderful opportunity to make an impact on all surface Sailors going out to the fleet."

Brunner's 34 years of Naval service began at Great Lakes in 1972 as he completed recruit training and Machinist Mate "A" School. He went on to complete training in the Navy Nuclear Power Program and the Naval Enlisted Scientific Education Program. He later received a bachelor of science in mechanical engineering from Purdue University and was commissioned in 1980. He then attended Navy Nuclear Power Program Officer Training in 1981.

He served as executive officer of USS Stout (DDG 55) and commanding officer of USS Duluth (LPD 6) while the ship remained stationed off the coast of Yemen for nearly two months in support of USS Cole. His military decorations include the Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal (three awards), the Navy Commendation Medal (five awards) and various other service medals and awards.

Morales, a native of El Paso, Texas and a 1982 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy comes to TSC from his previous post as director, requirements, policy and experimentation, in the Staff of Commander, 2nd Fleet.

"It's been a wonderful opportunity to make an impact on all surface sailors going out to the fleet."

Capt. Glenn M. Brunner

Morales has numerous sea tours, including command of USS Caron (DD 970) where he deployed in support of Standing Naval Force Mediterranean. He served as executive officer onboard USS Halyburton (FFG 40).

In 2001 Morales joined the Staff of Commander, Carrier Group FIVE, aboard USS Kitty Hawk (CV 63) homeported in Yokosuka, Japan and participated in both Operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom.

TSC Great Lakes was established on April 8, 2004, replacing Service School Command. The center's mission is to provide professional military training and development of Sailors. Annually, approximately 16,000 students complete training through TSC. It includes, Center for Surface Combat Systems (CSCS), Center for Naval Engineering (CNE), Center for Naval Leadership (CNL), Center for Personal Development (CPD), Center for Service Support (CSS), and Center for Explosive Ordnance Disposal and Diving (CENEODDIVE).

# Great Lakes service contractors keep us looking good

By JIM BOYLAN  
Associate Bulletin Editor

As facility support contract manager at NAVFAC Midwest, David Jenkins ensures the best customer service possible on all levels, including completion of projects that will enhance the overall look at Great Lakes, not only for those who live and work here, but for those who visit the installation.

His responsibilities include the service maintenance of equipment and buildings, janitorial, and grounds maintenance. This includes garbage

pickup, building cleanup, grounds maintenance of about 500 acres, and filter maintenance of all rooftop air conditioning units.

Jenkins, a government employee for 30 years, said some of his team's major projects this year were the development of a bird sanctuary north of the harbor area at the Great Lakes marina; the resodding of Ball Field Number 1; landscaping and resodding of Bldg. 430 complex and the areas north and south of Farragut St. leading to Ross Field and Bldg. 1.; and brick pavers along sidewalk around

Ceremonial Drill Hall at RTC.

He said next year's projects are the overall improvement of the Bldg. 630 complex that includes new landscaping, upgrade of the parking facilities and curb work. At TSC, 75 trees will be removed and new ones planted.

The Ross Field gazebo will receive new brick paving and tree plantings And the RTC Welcome Center will also get new paver landscaping work.

Jenkins noted that Joppa Maintenance, who has the contract for the maintenance of the grounds, received a lot

of compliments on the job they have done over the past two years.

"When you look at the overall scope of work that was completed it may not be readily apparent but it takes the coordination of many people, working as a team to get the job done in a timely and efficient way. I ask everyone to take pride in the Naval Station and don't litter. And when you come across litter, pick it up and put it in a trash receptacle. This will go a long way to helping to keep Great Lakes a landmark facility," said Jenkins.



# Medal of Honor recipient visits Great Lakes

By JUDY R. LAZARUS  
Bulletin Associate Editor

Allen James Lynch, who served in the U.S. Army from 1964 to 1967, said he received the Medal of Honor "because I had a whole lot of people who trained me to be what I was."

The recipient of the highest military decoration awarded by the United States visited Great Lakes last week where he met with Rear Adm. Arnold O. Lotring, Commander, Naval Service Training Command, and spoke to staff members at Personnel Support Detachment.

Lynch received his medal "for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty," in Binh Dinh province, Republic of Vietnam on Dec. 5, 1967. At the time, he was a specialist assigned to U.S. Army, Troop Squadron (Airmobile), 12th Cavalry, 1st Cavalry Division (Airmobile).

Observing three wounded comrades lying exposed to enemy fire, Lynch dashed across 50 meters of open ground through a withering hail of enemy fire to administer aid. He reconnoitered a nearby trench for a covered position to protect the wounded from intense hostile fire; then unhesitatingly returned to the fire-swept area three times to carry the wounded men to safety.

When his company was forced to withdraw by the superior firepower of the enemy,

Lynch remained to aid his comrades at the risk of his life rather than abandon them. Alone, he defended his isolated position for two hours against the advancing enemy. Disregarding his own safety in the face of withering hostile fire, he crossed 70 meters of exposed terrain five times to carry his wounded comrades to a more secure area.

Once he had assured their comfort and safety, Lynch located the counterattacking friendly company to assist in directing the attack and evacuating three casualties.

Lynch said he owes his military action not to himself, but to all those who have contributed to his character - to the way he was raised, to his moral compass, his religious faith, the drill sergeant who trained him, and how he was taught how to react.

"It wasn't just me who went out and did that," he said. "None of us who got the Medal of Honor were in the war to get it."

"The personal representation of a Medal of Honor recipient, and the opportunity of the detachment personnel to be mentored by him, was an excellent way to reemphasize the need for the Global War on Terrorism (GWOT) and the core values of the U.S. Navy (Honor, Courage, Commitment)," said Lt. Omar A. Hair, PSD officer in charge. "I think we all know how important it is to support our sister services in the GWOT."



Photos by Judy R. Lazarus

**Lt. Omar Hair, PSD officer in charge, presents a T-shirt, signed by PSD staff members, to Medal of Honor Recipient Allen James Lynch.**

Lynch said he didn't play sports in school and had few friends while growing up. "I realized if I didn't change my environment I wouldn't do well at all," he said. "I enlisted because of war stories my dad and uncle told me. I was running away - into the Army.

"The military changed my life," he noted. "In basic training I found I could do more than I thought I could, and I could re-

member the things I had to know."

Lynch volunteered to go to Vietnam. "I learned about life-threatening situations there," he said. "It changes your outlook on things," noted the veteran whose best friend was killed by friendly fire.

After Vietnam, Lynch married and had a family, and "a wonderful career working with

veterans and helping them." He worked as a benefits counselor with the Veteran's Administration and as chief of veterans' rights for the Illinois Attorney General's office. He now serves with a Medal of Honor organization; as a service officer with the Vietnam Veterans of America; on a ministry to the Lake County Jail; and as a public speaker.



Photos by Judy R. Lazarus

**Allen James Lynch is flanked on the right by Rear Adm. Arnold O. Lotring, Commander, NSTC, and on the left by Lt. Omar Hair, PSD OIC.**

## Medal of Honor

The Medal of Honor, which was signed into law by a joint resolution of Congress in July 1862, is the highest military decoration awarded by the United States. It is presented to members of the armed services who have distinguished themselves by risking their lives above and beyond the call of duty.

Although it was created for the Civil War, the Medal of Honor was made a permanent decoration in 1863. Since the beginning of that war, more than 3,400 medals have been awarded to the bravest of Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, Marines and Coast Guardsmen.

Recipients receive the award for action performed while engaged in an action against any enemy of the United States; while engaged in military operations involving conflict with an opposing foreign force; or while serving with friendly foreign forces engaged in an armed conflict against an opposing armed force in which the United States is not a belligerent party.

The deed performed must have been one of personal bravery or self-sacrifice which clearly distinguishes the individual above his comrades and must have involved risk of life. There must be incontestable proof of the service member's performance.



# National Influenza Vaccination Week - Nov. 27 to Dec. 3

By KRISTEN M. ELLIS

Naval Clinic Great Lakes Public Affairs

To help raise awareness of influenza vaccination recommendations and the importance of continuing vaccination efforts, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention announced National Influenza Vaccination Week from Nov. 27 through Dec. 3. Flu (influenza) vaccination should be everyone's goal this season.

The flu is a contagious respiratory illness caused by influenza viruses.

It can cause mild to severe illness, and at times can lead to death.

The best way to prevent the flu is by getting a flu vaccination each year.

Every year in the United States, on average 5-20 percent of the population gets the flu; more than 200,000 people are hospitalized from flu complications, and about 36,000 people die from flu.

Two types of flu vaccine will be available this year, FluMist (inhalable) and Fluzone (injectable) vaccines. Naval Health

Clinic Great Lakes completed FluMist vaccinations of students and staff of the Navy schools, and recruit immunizations with FluMist continues. FluMist is currently available through the Naval Health Clinic Primary Care and Family Practice clinics.

All military beneficiaries and family members are eligible to receive the vaccine. FluMist will be administered to most healthy individuals ages 5 to 49.

It is not recommended for those in high risk categories.

High risk categories include:

- Children younger than 5.
- Adults 50 and older.
- People with a medical condition that places them at high risk for complications from influenza, including those with chronic heart or lung disease, such as asthma or reactive airways disease; people with medical conditions such as diabetes or kidney failure; or people with illnesses that weaken the im-

mune system, or who take medications that can weaken the immune system.

•Children or adolescents receiving aspirin.

•People with a history of Guillain-Barré syndrome, a rare

Naval Health Clinic Great Lakes has a limited supply of injectable flu vaccine that is reserved for those in the high risk categories and health care providers who have contact with high risk patients.

Fluzone can be received at this time only through the Family Practice Clinic at the times and days specified above, targeted toward high risk beneficiaries and family members (older than age 50; adults and children with chronic disorders of pulmonary system, cardiovascular system, metabolic diseases, renal disease, immuno-suppression, sickle cell, or any condition that can compromise respiratory functions; children and adolescents on aspirin therapy; children ages 6-59 months).

Naval Health Clinic will notify area commands when additional Fluzone shipments are received, and further outreach for vaccination can continue.



FluMist vaccinations are available at the Naval Health Clinic.

disorder of the nervous system.

•Pregnant women.

•People with a history of allergy to eggs.

Military beneficiaries can get their vaccination (FluMist or Fluzone) through Family Practice in building 200H Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; and children under 2 can obtain vaccination at the Immunizations Clinic.

It is expected that future shipments of Fluzone will permit vaccinations for: remainder of health care worker staff; active duty members who could not receive FluMist; Department of Defense civilian employees on base; child care workers; reserve units; and their beneficiaries who desire flu vaccine.

Once additional Fluzone is received, Department of Defense civilian employees may get vaccinations at Fisher Clinic Bldg. 237 in the Occupational Health Clinic on a walk-in basis.

Hours of operation are Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 12:30-3:30 p.m.

Once additional Fluzone is received, active duty members may contact their Primary Care providers to arrange vaccinations. For more information about flu vaccinations at Great Lakes, call Lt. Lawrence Sproul at (847) 688-6712 ext. 5023. For more information about the flu, contact your health care provider or visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Web site at [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov).

## 'Tis that time of the year!



Photo by Jim Boylan

IME and Fidelity, out of Bldg. 154, assembled and secured the holiday theme lights on the south side of Ross Field as you drive east along Decatur Ave toward Bldg. 1.

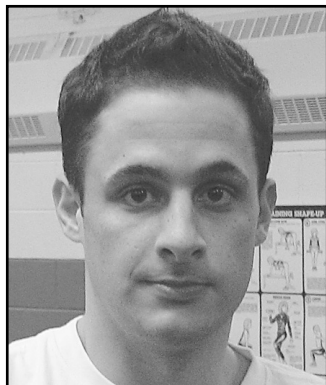
## Readers Speak Out

This week the Bulletin asked its readers, "If you could have anything in the world completely to yourself for one day, what would you choose and why?"



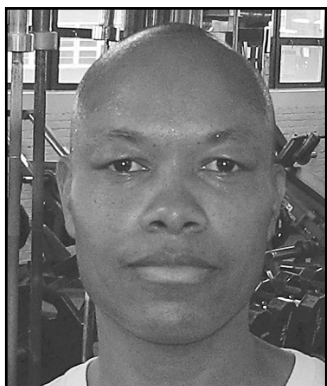
"The Bahamas, because I love the sun, sand, scuba diving and the cool tropic breezes."

MR2 Sasha Bond



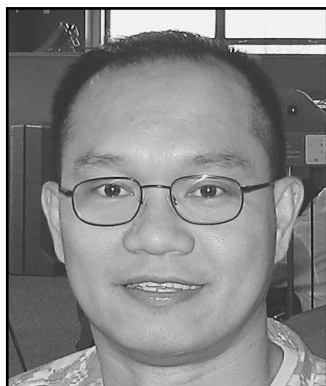
"Naples, Italy, because I have family there and I would have to take my little brother and sister."

MRFA Vince D'Andrea



"Singapore, because I would love to explore the culture and country over there."

MMC(SW/AW) David Ford



"The Philippines, because my family is there."

Sgt. 1st Class Alex Arce



"Heaven, because I would love to enjoy a day of peace and happiness."

Sgt. 1st Class Dorthella Owsley



"Heaven, because that is paradise."

Cmdr. Adam Smithyman

## What Happened When

A look back at historic Great Lakes

### 40 years ago LEAVE PAYMENTS AVAILABLE

Under a new directive issued by the Secretary of the Navy, Navy and Marine Corps personnel can now receive advance payment of leave rations. Payment of the rations in advance will be authorized for any leave, 10 days or more. This advance may be for any type of authorized leave, chargeable or nonchargeable, other than excess leave.

### 30 years ago POWER PLANT FIRE

At approximately 11:45 a.m. Monday a fire broke out in the main power plant, Bldg. 11, at Great Lakes Naval base. In zero degree weather, firemen from the Great Lakes Fire Department, assisted by the Waukegan and North Chicago fire departments, battled the fire for over two hours. The all-out was sounded at 2:05 p.m. No injuries have been reported.

### 20 years ago FAMILIES RECEIVE AWARDS

Plans are underway to honor families from the various commands and activities at Great Lakes as part of the great American Family Awards program. All commands will soon be receiving a Great Lakes Notice outlining this year's program and explaining the nomination procedure. Early next spring the families who have been nominated will be honored.

### 10 years ago RECYCLING BENEFITS NTC

Everyone at Great Lakes, military and civilian, is encouraged to participate in the Naval Training Center recycling program, according to the NTC Staff Civil Engineer's office. Some of the items recycled are paper, cardboard, cans, and plastics, and the majority of the profits are spent directly on Morale, Welfare, and Recreation (MWR) activities.

## Snapshot

### Name:

Jock T. Chaney

### Hometown:

Chicago, Ill.

### Job title:

Program Management Assistant

### Time in position:

New

### What do you enjoy most about working at Great Lakes?

The great and dedicated people working together to get the job accomplished

### Childhood ambition:

To become a teacher

### First job:

I worked helping elderly people carry their groceries home from the local store

### What do you enjoy doing in your spare time?

I enjoy reading books and magazines, taking walks along the beach and in the

woods, playing chess, helping people and coaching in the local community, eating at good restaurants and dancing.

### Dream car:

BMW 740i

### Favorite music artist:

Nat King Cole

### Favorite book:

Native Son

### If you could meet any person - alive or dead - who would it be?

My great great grandfather

### Your perfect day:

Peace on earth

### Your hero:

My great great grandfather on my father's side of the family



Jock T. Chaney

# NMCRS volunteers needed

The Great Lakes Navy and Marine Corps Relief Society is looking for volunteers. By volunteering you can help a fellow Sailor or Marine and:

- Receive reimbursement for childcare expenses and mileage
- Help people with an emergency need
- Build your resume

•Develop new skills or improve on existing talents

They are now interviewing for the following volunteer positions:

- Thrift Shop workers who accept and organize donated items for resale through the NMCRS Great Lakes Thrift Shop.
- Receptionists who provide

information, greet clients, and process data.

•Caseworkers who listen to requests, make decisions and disburse funds to meet client needs.

Contact Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society Great Lakes for an application or call for more information at (847) 688-6830.



## INFORMATION, TICKETS & TRAVEL

Building 400, 688-3537

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### MWR Offers free Chicago Wolves Hockey Game Tickets!

For the fourth straight year, the Chicago Wolves and the MWR Department are offering 100 FREE tickets to each and every home game at the Allstate Arena in Rosemont, Ill.

All eligible MWR customers may stop by the ITT Office to sign-up (at least two days prior to the game of choice) to receive a voucher (good for up to four tickets) for any home game per month (additional tickets are permitted if availability exists). Customers must present the voucher at the Arena's VIP ticket window on the day of the game to receive their tickets.

### Leisure Travel Office

The MWR Department's ITT Office operates a full service Leisure Travel Office - MWR Travel Plus! Services:  
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MWR Travel Plus may be reached directly at (800) 905-9330; they may also be found on the web at [www.travelplus-inc.com](http://www.travelplus-inc.com).

### Special military rates for holiday exodus travel

MWR Travel Plus can assist you with the annual "Exodus Travel" for base personnel to return home during the holiday period. In order to assist Navy personnel with these arrangements, MWR Travel Plus will be open additional hours at the ITT Office in the Student Store (see below for dates/times).

Although Exodus is the busiest travel time of the year, reduced Military (MIL) rates are available, along with some relief from many of the airline ticketing rules. In 2005, Navy personnel utilizing MWR's ITT Travel Office saved an average of \$97 per ticket versus purchasing from an outside source. All personnel are advised to make their plans as far in advance as possible.

**Airport Shuttle Ticket Information:**  
 Airport shuttle (one-way) ticket cost: \$15, and with the "Gold Card" discount, only \$13 - to either Midway or O'Hare airports! Airport shuttle bus departure times: 4:30 a.m., 7:30 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. from Pier 525 on Thurs., Dec. 21. Airport Shuttle ticket outlets: Bldg. 400-ITT Office, Bldg. 2A-Loft, Bldg.'s 616 and 621-Zapper's and HCS. Tickets are available for purchase during these facility's regular operating hours.

December MWR Travel Plus "In Person"

Hours (when airline tickets may be purchased) at the ITT Office: Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays; 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Thursdays; 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Saturdays, Dec. 2 and 16; 9 a.m.-1 p.m.; Paydays, Dec. 1 and 15; 10 a.m.-8 p.m. An "On-site" representative will be at the Hospital Corps School on all Tuesdays in December from 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Call 800-905-9330 (toll free number) for those interested in purchasing airline tickets over the phone. Itineraries may be picked up at the ITT Office. Hours the phone service will be in operation: Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

### Quality Inn Waukegan

Offers discount rates to base personnel! Quality Inn Waukegan is offering low rates to all base personnel, family and friends. Enjoy a complete deluxe continental breakfast bar and newly renovated rooms with special Military rates from \$49/Night, located only three miles north of the base at 619 South Green Bay Rd. For reservations, call (847) 662-3200 (Please mention this ad when booking your reservation). Web site is [www.qualityinnwaukegan.com](http://www.qualityinnwaukegan.com)

### America's Action Territory

America's Action Territory is the "Midwest's Finest Family Entertainment Center", offering Go-Karts, Bumper Boats, Mini-Golf, and more! Year-round, customers will enjoy a 15,000 foot arcade/redemption area, as well as laser tag, inflatables and more! Located in Kenosha, WI (off Hwy. 50 and I-94), Action Territory offers a 10% military/government discount with a proper I.D. In addition, The ITT Office now offers discount packages to save even more money! Check out the savings at the ITT Office (Bldg. 400) or call 688-3537 for further details. Discount Package. Wristband Special-3 games of Laser Tag/20 game tokens and a slice of pizza and a soda. Special Navy price: \$12 (reg. price \$15 at the door savings of \$3). Kids Indoor Wristband-unlimited use of the indoor inflatable games, 20 game tokens and a slice of pizza and a soda. Special Navy price is \$6 (reg. price \$8 at the door-savings of \$2)

### Holiday Exodus Shuttle Bus Tickets!

Save \$2 on Airport Shuttle Tickets for Holiday Exodus when you show your MWR Gold Card. Purchase these Shuttle Tickets at the following locations: ITT (inside NEX Student Store-Bldg. 400), The Loft (3rd Deck, Bldg. 2A) and Zapper's in Bldg.'s 616 and 621.

### Ramada-Waukegan offers a special \$79

The Ramada-Waukegan, located at 200 N. Green Bay Road, offers all Great Lakes staff, recruits and families a special \$79 rate. Six Flags packages are also available with discounted tickets to the park, hot breakfasts and overnight stays included. Enjoy our variety of amenities: Indoor pool, hot tub, sauna, gift shop, exercise room, restaurant and lounge. Please call (847) 244-2400 to book your next overnight stay at the Ramada-Waukegan.

# ★ ROSS ★ THEATER

**Movies: \$2-Adult (Military or DOD)**

**\$1-Child (ages 6-11), Free-Under age 6**

Ross Theater is located in Bldg. 110 and is open to everyone. Children 17 years of age and under trying to gain access to a "R-Rated" movie must be accompanied by an adult.

**GREAT MOVIES AT A GREAT PRICE!**

**Fri., Dec. 1  
6 p.m.**



**Employee  
of the  
Month**

PG 13~For crude and sexual humor, and language. (103 Min.)

**Fri., Dec. 1  
8:30 p.m.**



**ALL THE  
KING'S  
MEN**

PG 13~For an intense sequence of violence, sexual content and partial nudity. (120 Min.)

**Sat., Dec. 2  
6 p.m.**



**Man  
Of the Year**

PG 13~For language including some crude sexual references, drug related material, and brief violence. (115 Min.)

**Sat., Dec. 2  
8:30 p.m.**



**THE  
MARINE**

PG 13~For intense sequences of violent action, sensuality and language. (93 Min.)

**Sun., Dec. 3  
3 p.m.**

Doors open at 1:30 p.m.

**A FREE  
Sneak Preview!**  
**UNACCOMPANIED  
MINORS**



PG~For mild rude humor and language. Comedy (90 Min.)

**Sun., Dec. 3  
6:30 p.m.**



**THE  
GRUDGE 2**

PG 13~For mature thematic material, disturbing images/terror/violence, and some sensuality. (91 Min.)

The movie schedule is subject to change without notice.

For up-to-date information,  
 call the MWR Scoop Line at 688-2110, ext. 697,  
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**[www.mwrgl.com](http://www.mwrgl.com)**



## HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS?

Visit MWR Travel Plus in the ITT Office  
 (Bldg. 400, NEX-Student Store)

### Airline Tickets at Exclusive Military Exodus Discounts!

Airport shuttle tickets (one-way) - only \$15 & with Gold Card only \$13 to either Midway or O'Hare Airport!

Shuttle buses leaving at 4:30 a.m. 7:30 a.m. & 9:30 a.m. from Pier 525 on Thurs., Dec. 21.

Shuttle tickets will also be on sale at Bldg. 2A-Loft, Bldg.'s 616 and 621-Zapper's and HCS during their facility's operating hours.

Book your airline tickets in person (at the following times) at the ITT Office, Bldg 400 NEX-Student Store.

### November:

-Monday-Friday  
10am-5pm

-November (paydays)  
1 & 15  
10am-8pm

The ITT Office is closed on  
November 10, 23, 24 and 25.

### December - HCS

Purchase your airline tickets in person  
at HCS on Tuesdays in December from  
10am-3pm.

### December:

-Monday, Wednesday & Friday  
10am-6pm

-Thursdays  
10am-5pm

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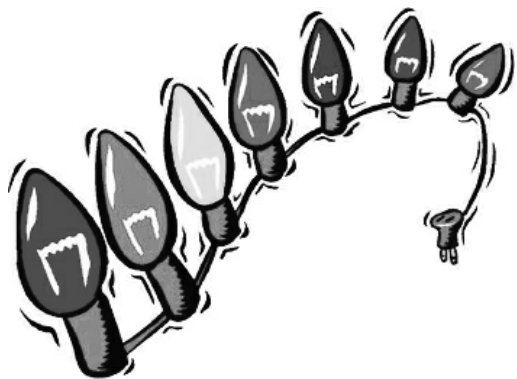
● **CHAPLAIN'S CORNER**

# The Season for Lights is upon us

By **CAPT. LEWIS BROWN**  
CHC, USN

The season for lights is here. Everywhere there are creative displays. Downtowns and uptowns are brightened. Stores and malls sparkle with their best of yearly arrangements. Homes and neighborhoods join in with internal and external decorations. On our coasts even Navy ships and stations trim their decks. In the midst of our longest nights, human hearts are lightened by this festive time.

The reason for the season comes from our Judeo-Christian heritage. Although the ancient Romans celebrated the return of the "unconquerable sun," at the time of the winter solstice, the Jewish people commemorate the victory of the Maccabees over those who denied them access to their temple, and the right to worship. The lights of the Hanukkah menorah burn for eight days in celebration of the restoration



and cleansing of the temple, and for religious freedom.

Christians recall the words of the Prophet Isaiah, "The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light ..." (Is 9:1), and the message from the Gospel of John, "The light shines in darkness, a darkness that did not overcome it ..." (Jn 1:5). British author G. K. Chesterton observed, "it is entirely appropriate for religion that defies the world to merge with a feast that defies the weather."

The lighting of the holiday lights represent hope, not in the sense of optimism, but in the sense of conviction that dark-

ness will be vanquished; gloom, overcome; anxieties, disbursed; evil, conquered. This hope arises from within and allows us to see. At this time of year, this hope is expressed in the metaphor of light. Our seasonal celebrations nurture this hope, and prepare us to deal with various unpleasant circumstances of life. While we have no blueprints for changing

all that is wrong in society, or even in our personal lives, hope gives us the motivation for such changes, and the willingness to begin them yet again.

One of the holiday season's TV specials is the movie based on Dr. Suess' book, "How the Grinch Stole Christmas." In the book, Dr. Suess reminds us that the Grinch "hated the whole Christmas season ..." (for) the most likely reason that his heart was two sizes too small." Believers take to heart lighting the seasonal lights because we believe the lights have more right to exist than all the darkness. Happy season of lights!

## Navy Band Great Lakes' annual holiday concert

Come and enjoy a bit of holiday spirit at Navy Band Great Lakes' annual holiday concert on Dec. 10, at 4 p.m. "Sounds of the Season" is family-friendly fun, with singing and playing by the Navy Band, under the direction of Lt. Joseph Dolsak.

This season is a time of celebration for many traditions and cultures, and Navy Band Great Lakes will tap the rich musical heritage of Hanukkah and Christmas to help everyone get in the holiday mood. The band's

many units will contribute a varied program of instrumental and vocal musical stylings that explore the serious, the sublime and the silly moods that make this such a special time of year.

Family fun and togetherness through music will be the theme of the day, with many opportunities to tap the toes and sing along to familiar favorites. A musical setting of Clement Clark Moore's "The Night Before Christmas" will offer a chance for the children in the

audience to come forward and enjoy a holiday classic. Who knows? Perhaps we'll even have a surprise visit by a certain someone from the far north!

"This time of year is so special in so many ways," said Dolsak, "and the opportunity to share this season with our Great Lakes family is both an honor and a real joy for us."

The men and women of Navy Band Great Lakes hope that you can come and share our holiday gift of music.

## Individual augmentee (IA) family readiness information fair

On Saturday, Dec. 16, from 2 to 5 p.m. the USO will host a individual augmentee (IA) family readiness information fair.

This is an opportunity to tell the USO how things are going and to provide needed assistance.

There will be representatives from USO, Fleet and Family Support Center, and the Chaplains office.

Childcare will be provided at no cost and the USO has arranged for Santa to spend

time with the kids, a magician, and there will be a video taping opportunity to send to your servicemember.

Whether your spouse has been gone and is getting ready to come home, just left or is getting ready to leave, we would like to meet with you. So please come out and share with us your thoughts and concerns.

Please reserve your seat by phoning (847) 688-3603 ext. 100 or 101 by Wednesday, Dec. 13.

## Forrestal Village Chapel Christmas Cantata

On Sunday, Dec. 10, at 10 a.m., the combined choirs of the Catholic and Protestant communities of Forrestal Village Chapel invite you to join them to welcome the Christmas season in song.

This year, they are presenting "Celebrate the Season: A Christmas

Cantata," by Joel Raney. Celebrate the Season combines traditional and contemporary musical styles, highlighted by readings from Scripture and reflections on our experiences of the season of Christ's nativity.

Come and share this joyous celebration!



● **Command Religious Program Schedule**

**Catholic**

Sun., 9 a.m. Sunday Mass .....Bluejacket Memorial Chapel  
Sun., Noon Sunday Mass .....Forrestal Village Chapel  
Mon.-Fri., 11:45 a.m. Weekday Mass .....Bluejacket Memorial Chapel  
Sun., 10:30-11:30 a.m. CCD .....Bldg. 122  
Sun., 10:30 a.m. Catholics Seeking Christ .....Bluejacket Memorial Chapel

**Protestant**

Wed., Noon Praise, Word and Worship .....Naval Health Clinic All Faiths Chapel  
Sun., 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship .....Bluejacket Memorial Chapel  
Sun., 10 a.m. Family Worship Service .....Forrestal Village Chapel

**Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints**

Sun., 1:30 p.m. ....Naval Health Clinic All Faiths Chapel

**Chapels**

•Bluejacket Memorial Chapel - Bldg. 3, Naval Station  
•Forrestal Village Chapel - Bldg. 2630, Ohio St., Forrestal Village  
•Naval Health Clinic All Faiths Chapel, Wing 2 South  
•For More Information about any of the services or events listed in this schedule, call 688-5610

*Great Lakes chaplains are happy to help you find a place of worship according to your tradition and needs.*



## Navy seniors go for service academy sweep

Navy (8-3) will play host to Army (3-8) in the 107th edition of the Army-Navy game Saturday, Dec. 2, at a sold-out Lincoln Financial Field (68,532) in Philadelphia. The Mids will be gunning for a fourth-straight Commander-In-Chief's Trophy and with a victory, the Navy senior class will become the first in school history to go 8-0 against Army and Air Force.

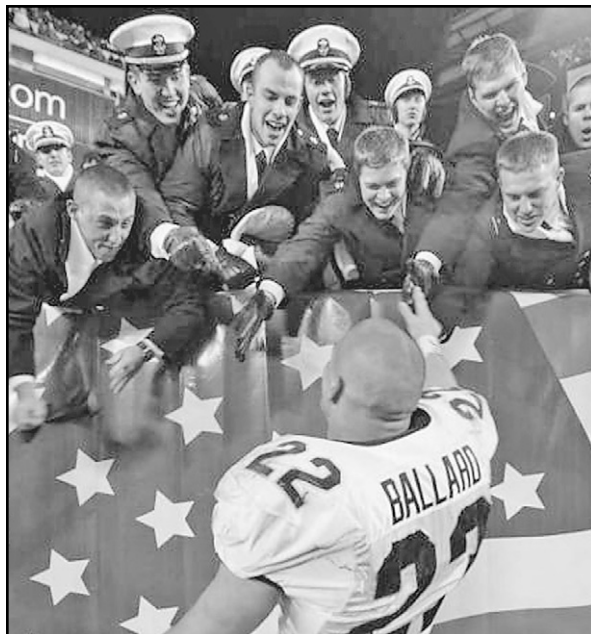
Kickoff is set for 2:35 p.m. and the game will be televised nationally by CBS. In Chicago the game can be seen on CBS affiliate WBBM, channel 2. Ian Eagle and Boomer Esiason will serve as the game announcers, while Sam Ryan will handle the sideline reports.

The Corps of Cadets are scheduled to march-on at 11:50 a.m., while the Brigade of Midshipmen will march-on at 12:20 p.m.

Bob Socci, Omar Nelson and John Feinstein will call the game on the Navy Football Radio Network which includes Sirius Satellite Radio (Channel 107).

Joe Miller and Pete Medhurst will host the Navy Football Tailgate Show on 1430 WNAV starting at 12:30 p.m.

CBS Sports/Westwood One will handle the national radio broadcast that will air locally on WBBM- AM 780 with Kevin Kugler and Terry Bowden handling the call.



AP photo by Miles Kennedy

**Navy fullback Adam Ballard celebrates with midshipmen in the stands after running for 192 yards and two touchdowns as Navy beat Army, 42-23, Dec. 3, 2005, in Philadelphia. The Midshipmen have one-game lead in the overall series at 50-49-7.**

## Winter basketball co-ed league registration

Both boys and girls will have the opportunity to learn the fundamentals of basketball by playing in this fun co-ed League. Players of all skill levels are encouraged to participate. Leagues begin practice in early January. Practices will be held throughout the week. Games will be held on Saturday mornings from January 20-March 3. Please register at the Great Lakes Youth Center

through Jan. 4. The cost is \$40 per child. All players will receive a game shirt and an award. Call Lori at 688-5573 for more details.

- Pee-Wee League, ages 5-7
- Junior League, ages 8-10
- Senior League, ages 11-14

### Volunteer Coaches Needed!

Volunteer coaches are needed for the upcoming

Winter Basketball 2007 Co-Ed League. No experience is necessary, just a willingness to have fun and teach youth. All leagues will run with the help of our local military community. This is a great opportunity to participate in your community. Please contact Lori at the Great Lakes Youth Center at 688-5573, if you are interested in coaching youth basketball.

## FITNESS & SPORTS DIVISION

Courts Plus-Bldg. 4; 688-6750, Gym 80-H; 688-7692, Field house-Bldg. 440; 688-3419, Great Lakes Fitness Center-Bldg. 2A; 688-5649

All event/league registrations and manager's meetings take place at the Fitness & Sports Office in Bldg. 440, unless otherwise noted. Turn in registration and forfeiture letters at Bldg. 440.

Leagues are open to all active duty and retired military, reservists, family members with an ID and DoD employees with a valid gym membership. For additional information, call 688-3419.

### New Outdoor Ice Rink ...

Come and enjoy the new outdoor ice rink (weather permitting). The rink is located east of Boorda Hall near Constitution Field. Watch for in-

formation on upcoming leagues and team challenge tournaments! Rental skates and hockey equipment are available at Bldg. 440. Call the Sports Hotline at 688-2110, ext. 474 for ice rink conditions.

### Winter Recreation Rental Equipment

Stop by Bldg. 440 (Fieldhouse) for your winter equipment rental needs: snowshoes; sleds/toboggans; ice skates (hockey/figure) hockey sticks/pucks; broom-ball equipment; and cross-country ski's. Plus, get Information on discount lift tickets and ski rental package at local ski hills. Watch

the GL Bulletin and Fun Times for January and February ski trips! For more information, call 688-3419.

### League meetings

**Captain's Cup Basketball:** Wed., Jan. 10 at 4 p.m. (Bldg. 440). League begins: Week of Jan. 15.

**Intramurals Racquetball:** Wed., Jan. 10 at 4:30 p.m. (Bldg. 440). League begins: Week of Jan. 15.

**Captain's Cup Volleyball:** Wed., Jan. 17 at 4 p.m. (Bldg. 440). League begins: Week of Jan. 22

**Intramurals Dodge Ball League:** Wed., Jan. 24 at 4 p.m. (Bldg. 440). League Begins: Week of Jan. 29.

## RYNISH BOWLING CENTER (RBC)

Bldg. 180, 688-5612

Parcheezi's is now open for lunch at 10:30 a.m., Tuesday through Friday!

The 11th Frame Lounge is now open on Sunday and Monday! Come in and watch football on our "Big Screen"

### Lounge hours...

|                    |                |
|--------------------|----------------|
| Sunday             | 3 - 9:30 p.m.  |
| Monday - Wednesday | 5 - 9:30 p.m.  |
| Thursday           | 6 - 9:30 p.m.  |
| Friday & Saturday  | 6 - 11:30 p.m. |

### December Weekly Specials...

**Free lunchtime bowling** 11 a.m.-1 p.m. every Tuesday and Wednesday.

### Monday special!

RBC's Monday \$1 bowling.

### Friday and Saturday Specials!

Planet Bowl - Glow in the dark bowling from 9 p.m. - midnight: Adults \$12 / children (16 & under) \$10.

### Family Bowling Special!

Sunday-Thursday -\$23.50 per lane. Two hours of bowling, one 16-inch one-topping pizza, and one pitcher of soda (shoes extra).

### RBC's Hours of Operation:

Sunday, 3-10 p.m.; Monday, 5-10 p.m.; Tuesday - Thursday, 11 a.m.-10 p.m.; and Friday & Saturday, 11 a.m.-midnight.

## THE WALL

Climbing Wall, Bldg. 4, 688-7769

The Wall is a 32 ft. climbing structure for both beginner and advanced climbers. The Wall has four auto-belays. For children, the minimum weight is 25 lbs. The Wall also provides children's shoes and harnesses. Those interested in "roped" climbing may go through an orientation class (see below for class information). This class is only mandatory for those who want to climb the roped routes, or want to attend the Lead Climb Class. Orientation Classes are held by appointment, only. Please call 688-7769 to set up an appointment.

**Hours ...** Mon.-Fri.: 4-8 p.m.; Sat: 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Holiday hours will be posted. The Wall will close at 6 p.m. on Wednesdays when Orientation Classes are scheduled. (Orientation Class: 6-8 p.m. by appointment, only).

### Fees ...

\$5 day pass: includes climbing shoes, harness, auto-belay or roped routes. \$10 orientation class: includes two complimentary day passes.

### Lead Climb Class

The Lead Climb Class teaches students the basics of indoor sport lead climbing. Participants will learn how to cross over to

the "sharp" edge of the rope, and learn how to walk the razor's edge in the safest possible environment! To attend this class, participants must be belay certified and must be comfortable with "top rope climbing". Cost: \$15 (includes one free, day-climb pass). MWR bucks are accepted for payment. This class is by appointment, only.

### Orientation Classes

Those interested in "roped" climbing may go through an orientation class (\$10 fee), which includes instruction on belaying, harnesses, safety and tying figure-8 knots (two complimentary day passes are included). This class is only mandatory for those who want to climb the roped routes, or want to attend the advanced classes. Orientation classes are held by appointment, only. Please call 688-7769 to set up an appointment. Cost: \$10.

### Climbers Competition ...

New climbers are invited to test their skills against other new climbers by participating in this fun competition. The fastest times of the week receive a complimentary day pass. There are two timers available to record races.



# Explores WWII forces shaping emerging China

By LT. CMDR. YOUSSEF ABOUL-EINEIN  
MSC, USN

**The Dragon's War: Allied Operations and the Fate of China 1937-1947** by Maochun Yu. Naval Institute Press, 291 Wood Road, Annapolis, Maryland 21402. 256 pages, 2006.

Maochun Yun is an associate professor of East Asian history at the United States Military Academy. His recent book explores the behind the scenes influence of World War II powers over the fate of China. Yun uses Chinese sources to reconstruct how the Soviets, Germans, the United States, and England all vied for access to China both economically and politically.

A good measure of that influence was in the form of military aid and direct action from military advisors culminating in the American unit known as the Flying Tigers striking blows to Japan soon after Pearl Harbor.

The most interesting aspect of Yu's book is the evolution of American airpower tactics was developed by American Claire Chennault, whose innovative fighter interceptor tactics, along with the use of two fighters working in tandem was rejected by U.S. Army Generals, leading him to experiment in China.

The book begins with German influence of the Chinese Nationalist Army under Chiang Kai-shek. After World War I, Germany had many unemployed officers will-

ing to become mercenaries for different emerging nations. From 1928 until 1933, German senior officers helped established the Chinese Central Military Academy and professionalized the Chinese armed forces. This would come to an end as Hitler became closer to Japan, and when the Japanese invaded China in 1937. However, despite German influence, the most sustaining and longest enduring military relationship with the Chinese was with Moscow.

Lenin took a pragmatic approach to supporting Chinese nationalism, while committing Dr. Sun Yat Sen (often known as the George Washington of modern China) to accept the Chinese Communist Party in a United Front. Through a two-decade system of loans, military aid, advisors, even Soviet pilots fighting the Japanese, the Soviets maintained influence over Chinese Nationalists and cultivated the growing power of the Mao's Chinese Communists.

From an American military historical perspective the chapter that explores the development of the Flying Tigers is excellent. Army Captain Claire Lee Chennault, disagreed with conventional Army Air wisdom that argued that air forces should be limited to bombers, and there was no use for fighters.

Chennault disagreed and was drummed out of the US Army, however he believed that the fighter was needed to

escort bombers to the target, in addition fighter interceptors were needed to meet enemy bombers before they reached their target. He also advocated that a two plane team attacking an enemy plane would enjoy not a two to one but a four to one advantage in firepower.

The Soviets read Chennault's book on airpower and offered to hire him with the rank of Colonel. He accepted the Chinese offer that stimulated by Madame Chiang Kai-shek, a competent political manipulator who was placed in

charge of the Chinese air forces. She and her Australian advisor recognized talent when they saw it and Chennault left the Army for China.

There he experimented with his tactics and developed the legendary Fighting Tigers, American pilots that frustrated the Japanese attempt to dominate China and Burma. The first strike against Japan after Dec. 7, 1941 was when Chennault's P-40s intercepted ten Japanese heavy bombers destroying six and damaging three. Over Burma (near India) the Flying Targets in twenty P-

40 fighters engaged the Japanese thirty-one times downing 217 Japanese planes to five P-40s, a kill ratio unmatched in the history of American air combat. Despite these successes.

Chennault would continue to battle the U.S. Army that resented his success and the clarity by which his theories of the use of fighters in air dominance were proven correct. The book ends with the gradual erosion of an uncompromising Chiang Kai-shek and the ascendancy of Mao's Communist Party.

## Trees for troops to deliver free Christmas trees

This holiday season FedEx Freight will deliver fresh Christmas trees to families of base personnel through a partnership with the MWR department.

Approximately 150 vouchers for free Christmas trees will be distributed through the Shipmate-to-Shipmate program and through MWR's holiday event "Santa's Winter Wonderland and Craft Fair" at the Great Lakes Youth Center, Boys & Girls Club, Bldg. 2600, on Sat., Dec. 9 from 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

The vouchers then can be redeemed on Mon., Dec. 11 when the trees will be delivered to the base and ready for pick-up (unclaimed trees after 5 p.m. on Dec. 11 will be available to others on a first-come-first served basis).

Trees for Troops is a program sponsored by the

Christmas SPIRIT Foundation and FedEx Corp. This holiday season, Trees for Troops is expected to collect and deliver more than 11,000 Real Christmas trees from 27 states to military families across the United States, as well as to soldiers serving overseas.

"Our military and their families have been providing a real service to our country," says Beth Walterscheidt, president of the National Christmas Tree Association and a Christmas tree farmer from Elgin, Texas. "And, as Christmas tree farmers, we want them to be able to experience a traditional Christmas with a real tree."

The Trees for Troops program was launched in 2005, and with the help of FedEx Corp., delivered more than 4,300 Christmas trees to five U.S. mili-

tary bases, as well as an overseas shipment to the Middle East.

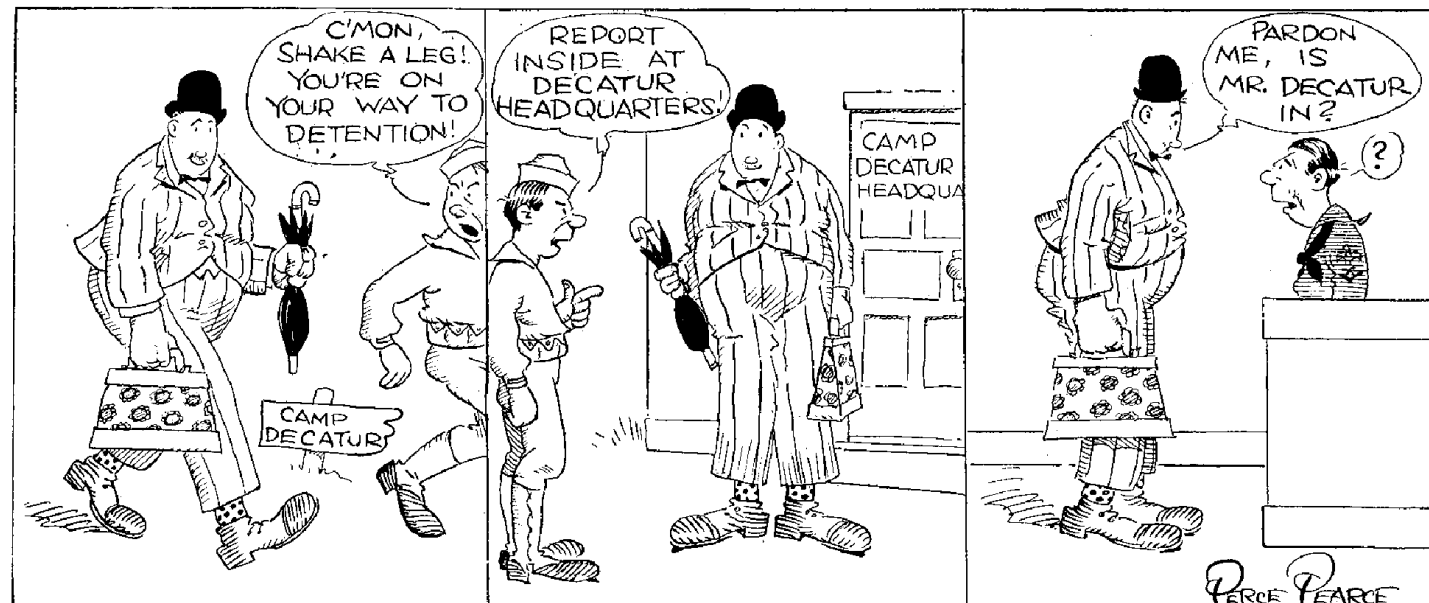
Trees for Troops was a huge success," says Christmas SPIRIT Foundation chairman Nigel Manley, a Christmas tree grower in Bethlehem, N.H. "It really resonated with our industry and the military."

The collection and delivery of trees will take place from the end of November through December. Dates will be announced in the near future. Consumers may make contributions to the Christmas SPIRIT Foundation at [www.ChristmasSPIRITFoundation.org](http://www.ChristmasSPIRITFoundation.org). More information is also available at [www.TreesforTroops.org](http://www.TreesforTroops.org).

For more information on this program for Naval Station Great Lakes, please contact Shauna Towle at (847) 688-2110 ext. 164.

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### SI DOBBINS: He'll Try to Find "Mr. Farragut" After This.



The adventures of Silas N. Dobbins, Jr. of Pickle Center, Iowa, is the creation of Perce Pearce, a Waukegan native who enlisted in the Navy and attended boot camp at Great Lakes in 1917.

PERCE PEARCE



# MWR employee is 'fun boss' aboard USNS Mercy

Great Lakes Morale, Welfare and Recreation Department came to the aid of the USNS Mercy when the hospital ship was looking for a "Fun Boss" for its five-month humanitarian assistance mission to the Western Pacific and Southeast Asia.

By **JUDY R. LAZARUS**  
Bulletin Associate Editor

Larger ships had MWR personnel who planned events and activities for the crew and civilians aboard ship. The Mercy was interested in participating in the program.

Early in May, Jerry Hieb, MWR program manager, Naval Station Great Lakes, was asked by the Commander, Naval Intelligence Command (CNIC) Detachment in Millington to suggest someone to fill the USNS Mercy's last-minute request for a fun boss. Lisa Busse's name was suggested and Hieb consulted with John Prue, recreation division director and Busse's director supervisor. Both agreed that it was a unique opportunity for Busse, from the MWR special projects office, if she was interested. They felt they could figure out a way to cover her duties if she chose to take on this temporary assignment.

MWR programs that needed to be covered included Training Support Center's (TSC's) Ultimate Command Challenge, the Scion Slam 3 on 3 basketball tournament, barracks bashes and galley concerts, the July 4th program, and daily support of TSC's team-building sports program.

"Our personnel came through to cover while Lisa was away," Prue said. "A lot of people stepped up to the plate to complete our mission during the summer. Everyone pulled together."

"MWR personnel in general are out there on ships," Prue noted. "The whole afloat recreation program exists to bring MWR to those deployed. A lot of people, including some of the young Sailors, do not know that MWR is truly everywhere you go in the Navy."

Busse joined the Mercy in Manilla last May, when the ship had been underway for three weeks. During its visits to the Philippines, Bangladesh, Indonesia and East and West Timor, the crew, which was assisted by personnel from non-governmental organizations and allied military personnel, treated almost 200,000 patients and provided training for local medical professionals. A small team of Seabees was aboard, who made repairs to schools, medical centers, and other infrastructures at different stops along the route.

Busse's job included finding ways to keep the crew occupied. Events included bingo, karaoke, and board game nights; ice cream social; "steel beach" picnic; outdoor movies; scavenger hunt; Texas hold'em tournament; and kick boxing and pilate classes.

At liberty ports she lined up hotels, tours, sporting matches, events, and social activities.

"Aboard ship you're really cut off from everything," said the Mankato, Minn. native who has been at Great Lakes for two years.

"I learned so much about what the Navy really does," she said. "It gave me a lot of respect for what they go through out there. Hopefully I made it a little better for them. I'm just one of the many MWR folk who support the fleet."

"That trip gave me a lifetime full of memories."



**Lisa Busse paints the high school auditorium in Tarakan, Indonesia located near Borneo.**



**In Indonesia young patients received their inoculation, and yo-yos from Busse as well.**



**The winning team of the crew members' scavenger hunt pose with Busse, proudly displaying their certificates.**



**The fun boss dishes out ice cream during the USNS Mercy's Birthday Bash Ice Cream Social in July.**



**The USNS Mercy Soccer Team, wearing an assortment of red T-shirts, is pleased with its victory over the Australian team.**

*Photos courtesy MWR and USNS Mercy*